(*e*) Government have no information.
(*f*) 28.
(*g*) No.
(*h*) Yes.
(*i*) 27-8-1116.
(*j*) The application is under consideration.
(*k*) Yes.
(*l*) 21-10-1116.
(*m*) Points raised.

(i) to grant route and timings to the buses displaced from the Quilon-Kottarakara route on the various existing routes now operated by private agencies (a) as substitutes to the buses which stopped service permanently and (b) by introduction of alternate day service on certain routes which are fit for the buses;
(ii) to address Government to purchase all the displaced buses to redress the grievances of the owners; and
(iii) to provide routes and timings to all buses displaced by the State Transport service.

Decisions—No decisions were arrived at.
(*n*) Government have no information.

P. W. D. Budget for Quilon and Kottarakara.

26 **MR. P. S. MUHAMED**: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the following:—

(*a*) the amount included in the budget of 1116 in the P. W. D. for communication etc., in the taluks of Quilon and Kottarakara (separately);

(*b*) the amount spent for the above purpose in the above two taluks (separately); and

(*c*) the works that were done in the above taluks in 1116?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: (*a*) (*b*) and (*c*) A * statement containing the information required is laid on the table.

Relief works at Alleppey and Shertala.

27 **MR. P. S. MUHAMED**: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the following facts regarding the Relief Works started by the Government at Alleppey and Shertalai:—

(*a*) whether they appointed a Committee for the Relief works;
(*b*) the interests that were represented in the Committee;
(*c*) the rates of wages fixed by the Committee to the labourers at Alleppey and Shertalai;
(*d*) whether the rates were modified subsequently;
(*e*) at whose instance the rates of wages were modified;
(*f*) the amount of the modified rates; and
(*g*) the reasons that prompted the Government to make the above modification?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: (*a*) Yes.

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(*b*) The Government, the P. W. D. Advisory Committee, the labour, and employers.

(*c*) The rates of wages are

	Alleppey.	Shertalai.
Men	9 Chs.	7½ Chs.
Women	6 Chs.	5 Chs.
Boys	4 Chs.	3½ Chs.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) to (*g*) Do not arise in view of the reply to part (d.)

The Travancore Coir Factory Workers' Union and the Relief Committee.

28. **MR. P. S. MUHAMED** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Travancore Coir Factory Workers' Union protested against the decision of the Relief Committee on the question of wage rate and of contract system ;

(*b*) whether the labour representatives made a walk-out from the meeting of the Relief Committee as a protest against the decision of the Committee on the above questions ;

(*c*) whether the Union advised the labourers to keep away from doing the Relief works ; and

(*d*) whether the labourers had struck work on the advice of the Union ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Government have no information.

(*d*) No.

Alleppey Port.

29 [357]. **MR. P. S. MUHAMED**: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the number of vessels that touched Alleppey Port in 1116 ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: The statement* is laid on the table.

Wage rate of agricultural labourers.

30. **MR. P. S. MUHAMED**: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the average rate of agricultural labourers—for men, children and women labourers separately ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS (*Director of Industries*) : The rate varies from 4 chs. to 8 chs. for men, 3 chs. to 6 chs. for women and 2 chs. to 4 chs. for boys.

Wage rates in P. W. D. Works.

31. **MR. P. S. MUHAMED** : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the wage rate of men, children and women labourers employed in P. W. D. Works in the taluks of Ambalapuzha and Shertala ?

* Vid Appendix XVII.—page

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